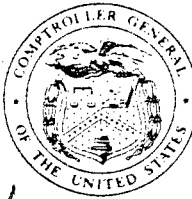


DECISION



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**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES**
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

[Untimely Protest of Navy Contract Award]

FILE: B-200917

DATE: November 7, 1980

MATTER OF: Work System Design, Inc.

DIGEST:

Protest filed with GAO more than 10 working days after basis for protest is known is untimely filed under Bid Protest Procedures and will not be considered on merits. 4 C.F.R. part 20.2(b) (2) (1980).

Work System Design, Inc. (WSD), protests the award of a contract to Manufacturing Technology, Inc. by the Department of the Navy under request for proposals No. N60530-80-R-0228, issued by the Naval Weapons Center, China Lake, California. WSD contends that the proposal of Manufacturing Technology, Inc., did not comply with several requirements of the solicitation.

Section 20.2(b)(2) of our Bid Protest Procedures states that bid protests are required to be filed within 10 working days after the basis for the protest is known or should have been known. WSD's protest letter states that it received on September 30, 1980, information from the Department of the Navy on which its protest is based. WSD's protest was received in our Office on October 17, 1980, 12 working days after it knew the basis for its protest.

Therefore, WSD's protest is untimely and is dismissed.

Harry D. Van Allen
for Milton J. Socolar
General Counsel

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